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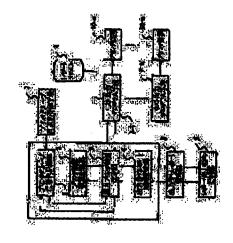
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## (54) PRINTER OUTPUT CONTROLLER

## (57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To suppress the requirement of manual work for the change of an output printer at a minimum in the case of exchanging sheets or a fault.

CONSTITUTION: A representative group name registration part 7 divides plural printers into plural groups and registers the representative name of the group and a printer group belonging to the group. A printer state storage part 2 stores the utilization state of each printer, unused state, fault state and the sheet name of a finally outputted report. An output waiting report information requesting part 4 takes



out the destination printer group representative name of the report on standby at a waiting matrix name, output sheet name and the attribute of the report. An output printer deciding part 3 decides the output printer by collating information fetched by this output waiting report information request part 4 with he representative printer group name and the printer state.